



# MINUTES

## HIGHER EDUCATION APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE

Friday, February 15, 2019 | 8:00 a.m. | 445 State Capitol

### Members Present:

Sen. Keith Grover, Senate Chair  
Rep. Michael K. McKell, House Chair  
Rep. Susan Duckworth, House Vice Chair  
Sen. Deidre M. Henderson  
Sen. Lyle W. Hillyard  
Sen. Karen Mayne  
Sen. Ann Millner  
Sen. Jerry W. Stevenson  
Sen. Evan J. Vickers  
Rep. Melissa G. Ballard

Rep. Jon Hawkins  
Rep. John Knotwell  
Rep. Kelly B. Miles  
Rep. Rex P. Shipp  
Rep. Mark A. Strong  
Rep. Mark A. Wheatley

### Staff Present:

Ms. Lorna Wells, Session Secretary  
Ms. Emily Willis, Financial Analyst  
Mr. Sean C. Faherty, Fiscal Analyst

Note: A copy of related materials and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at [www.le.utah.gov](http://www.le.utah.gov).

Senate Chair Grover called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m.

### 1 . RFA - University of Utah School of Medicine Rural and Underserved Utah Training Experience (RUUTE) - Sen. Keith Grover

Dr. Benjamin Chan, Dean of Admissions, University of Utah Medical School explained this funding request with the assistance of Dr. Wayne Samison, Vice Dean of Education, Utah Medical School; and Ms. Kylie Christensen, Rural Programs manager.

[2b-University Of Utah School of Medicine Rural and Underserved Utah Training Experience \(RUUTE\) - RFA Backup - Sen. Grover](#)

[2bi-University Of Utah School of Medicine Rural and Underserved Utah Training Experience \(RUUTE\) - RFA - Sen. Grover Background Info](#)

Chair Grover asked where the funding would be utilized. Dr. Chan responded.

Sen. Henderson asked if this funding would help to make sure that medical students come and stay in rural Utah. Dr. Chan responded.

Sen. Hillyard asked how many students are actually from these rural areas. Dr. Chan responded.

Sen. Hillyard mentioned that there is a perception that Utah students are not admitted as easily as out-of-state students. Dr. Samison responded.

Rep. Miles asked about last year's budget request, and asked what would happen to the program if they didn't receive funding. Dr. Chan responded.

### 2 . Utah Educational Savings Plan

Ms. Lynne Ward, Executive Director, my529 (Educational Savings Plan) explained the my529 program.

[2a-My529 Higher Ed Subcommittee Presentation 2.15.19](#)

Rep. Hawkins asked if the accounts are held by individuals outside of Utah and the breakdown. Ms. Ward responded.

Rep. Shipp asked if a dual-option system could be set up where financial advisers could get compensation for bringing people to the program. Ms. Ward responded.

Rep. Strong asked about the \$1.99 fee per \$1000 invested. Ms. Ward responded.

Sen. Millner mentioned that my529 has done an incredible job managing this fund.

Ms. Ward continued her presentation. She asked committee members to reach out to their constituents about this program.

### **3 . Strategic Workforce Initiative Discussion and Voting**

Mr. Val Hale, Executive Director, Government Office of Economic Development and Ms. Kimberlee Carlile, Director, Talent Ready Utah, explained the Strategic Workforce Initiative (SWI) program.

#### [4a-GOED Strategic Workforce Presentation](#)

Ms. Carlile discussed the 12 SWI proposals submitted and then discussed the six 2019 programs recommended by the subcommittee.

#### [3a-TTECH Aerospace Pathway](#)

#### [3b-UBTech Geoscience Technology](#)

#### [3c-USU Core IT Pathway](#)

#### [3d-USU Moab Welding](#)

#### [3di-USU Moab Welding Updated Budget](#)

#### [3e-WSU Building Design](#)

#### [3f-WSU Cybersecurity](#)

Sen. Mayne appreciated the scope delivered in the presentation and the support of women in trades industries.

Sen. Stevenson asked if most of the one-time budget requests were for equipment. Ms. Carlile responded.

Sen. Stevenson asked if the programs could move forward without the funding. Ms. Carlile would need to follow up with the institutions, but funding for equipment would be a big component.

Sen. Vickers asked about the balance that could be carried over from FY 2019. Ms. Carlile responded.

Sen. Vickers explained some of the partnerships involved with these proposal applications

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to approve for funding the six projects as presented in committee today, February 15, 2019 through the Strategic Workforce Initiative and prioritize funding to support them in Fiscal Year 2020.

Rep. Miles spoke in favor of the motion.

Sen. Millner's motion passed with a vote of 15 - 0 - 1.

Yeas-15

Nays-0

Absent-1

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Sen. L. Hillyard

#### **4 . Requests for Appropriation:**

Study Adverse Effects of Cannabis - Rep. Daw

Sen. Vickers explained this funding request.

Dr. Edward B. Clark, pediatrician, University of Utah, explained the need for this study.

Sen. Mayne asked about the privacy protections that would be in place. Dr. Clark responded.

Sen. Henderson asked if the study is to only look for negative effects. Dr. Clark responded that the term "adverse effects" is misleading; and further clarified the proposed study.

Rep. Ballard mentioned her experience living in Oregon. She stated that this study would put Utah at the forefront of understanding the benefits and adverse effects of medical marijuana. Dr. Clark responded.

Rep. Knotwell asked for clarification about the project's scope. Dr. Clark responded.

Additional Appropriation to University of Utah School of Dentistry - Sen. Millner

Sen. Millner introduced this funding request.

[5c-Additional Appropriation to University of Utah School of Dentistry - RFA Backup - Sen. Millner](#)

[5ci-Additional Appropriation to University of Utah School of Dentistry - RFA Backup - Sen. Millner](#)

[5cii-Additional Appropriation to University of Utah School of Dentistry - RFA - Sen. Millner Background Info](#)

Dr. Rory Hume, Dean School of Dentistry, University of Utah, further explained this funding request.

University of Utah Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Center - Rep. King

Rep. Brad King introduced this funding request.

Dr. Bruce Gale, Chair of the Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Utah further explained this funding request.

[5e-University of Utah Manufacturing Extension Partnership \(MEP\) Center - RFA Backup - Rep. King](#)

[5ei-University of Utah Manufacturing Extension Partnership \(MEP\) Center - RFA - Rep. King Background Info](#)

Rep. Knotwell expressed concerns about the amount of money used for administration. Rep. King and Dr. Gale responded.

Sen. Stevenson asked if the Business, Economic Development & Labor Appropriations Committee chose not to fund this request FY 2019. He also asked if it was funded prior to that. Dr. Gale responded.

Career and Technical Education in Eastern Utah - Rep. Albrecht

Rep. Albrecht introduced this funding request.

[5f-Career and Technical Education in Eastern Utah - RFA Backup - Rep. Albrecht](#)

[5fi-Career and Technical Education in Eastern Utah ? RFA ? Rep. Albrecht Background Info](#)

Pres. Noelle Cockett, USU, further explained this funding request.

Mr. David Woolstenhulme, Vice President of Regional Campuses, Utah State University discussed the need for the funding request.

Pres. Cockett gave some clarifying remarks regarding USU's role in these programs.

Rep. Albrecht concluded his presentation.

Sen. Millner asked if the funds will be used to drop CTE tuition. Pres. Cockett and Mr. Woolstenhulme responded.

Sen. Stevenson expressed his support of this funding request.

Horse Drug Testing

Rep. McKell introduced this funding request.

Rep. Hawkins asked about the horse racing industry in Utah. Rep. McKell responded.

Sen. Henderson asked for clarification about the companies involved in horse racing in Utah. Rep. McKell responded.

## **5 . Subcommittee Discussion on Budget Priorities**

Chair Grover distributed a handout and explained the process the committee would follow to prioritize funding requests.

Sen. Stevenson gave an Executive Appropriations Committee (EAC) perspective on this list.

## **6 . Subcommittee Voting on Budget Priorities**

Chair Grover indicated that the first voting would be on the bottom portion of the funding list.

[7d-HED Approps 2019 GS Funding Item Prioritization - FINAL](#)

**MOTION:** Sen. Henderson moved to not fund Item #5 "Study Adverse Effects of Cannabis" and to move the \$50,000 up to Primary Care Workforce Model Item #2

Rep. Miles spoke against this motion.

Rep. Hawkins spoke in favor of the motion.

Sen. Millner spoke in favor of the motion.

Sen. Henderson's motion passed with a vote of 9 - 4 - 3.

Yeas-9

Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong

Nays-4

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. E. Vickers

Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Rep. Ballard asked in the future to have more information about how the Board of Regents and USTC prioritized this list. She would also like to have a little more history of ongoing requests as presentations are made.

**MOTION:** Sen. Vickers moved to accept the six items as amended on the list. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-14

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Discussion of Ongoing and One-Time Requests for Appropriations

**MOTION:** Sen. Vickers moved to swap #5 (SLCC Teacher Education Initiative) with #4 (U of U MEP Center)

Rep. Hawkins spoke to the motion.

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to move #5 (SLCC Teacher Education Initiative) to #4 and move #4 (U of U MEP Center) to #11.

Rep. Duckworth spoke against the motion.

Rep. Shipp spoke in favor of the motion.

Rep. McKell's substitute motion passed with a vote of 12 - 2 - 2.

Yeas-12

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-2

Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover

Absent-2

Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. Hawkins moved to move Item #6 (Horse Drug Testing) to #11 (below MEP).

Sen. Hillyard spoke against the motion.

Rep. Strong asked a clarifying question. Rep. McKell responded.

**MOTION:** Sen. Vickers moved to accept the list as amended.

Rep. Hawkins asked a clarifying question. Rep. McKell responded.

Rep. Duckworth spoke against the motion.

Rep. Hawkins asked a clarifying question. Sen. Vickers responded.

Sen. Vickers' substitute motion passed with a vote of 13 - 1 - 2.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-1

Rep. S. Duckworth

Absent-2

Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Chair Grover explained the top part of the priority list (Ongoing Funding).

Rep. Hawkins asked if items can be moved from one category to another. Chair Grover responded.

**MOTION:** Rep. Duckworth moved to accept the USHE ongoing funding list as presented.

Sen. Hillyard asked if performance funding is included in the ongoing funding. Mr. Sean Faherty, Fiscal Manager, responded.

Sen. Millner responded that performance funding has been included in the base budget. Rep. McKell also commented.

Rep. McKell discussed the way the recommendations would be presented to EAC.

Rep. Duckworth's motion to accept the USHE ongoing funding list as presented passed with a vote of 12 - 1 - 3.

Yeas-12

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-1

Sen. L. Hillyard

Absent-3

Rep. J. Knotwell  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

USTC requests Items #1- 4

**MOTION:** Sen. Henderson moved to accept the USTC list as proposed. The motion passed with a vote of 14 - 0 - 2.

Yeas-14

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-2

Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

USHE & USTC Compensation (Items #1 & #2)

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to approve Items #1 & #2 as presented. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Intent Language

[7c-Final Subcommittee meeting motions.FINAL](#)**7c-HED Appropriations Final Motions 2-15-19**

**MOTION:** Rep. Hawkins moved to approve the vehicle expansion authorization as explained in the USHE Vehicle Expansion Request Issue Brief and direct the Fiscal Analyst to prepare intent language for insertion into final budget bills. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Rep. J. Knotwell  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to accept the performance measures for USHE and UTECH. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Rep. J. Knotwell  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley



[7b-USHE DRAFT Performance Measures for Consideration](#)[7a-UTECH DRAFT Performance Measures for Consideration](#)

**MOTION:** Rep. Shipp moved to approve the vehicle expansion as explained in the UTECH Vehicle Expansion Request Issue Brief and direct the Fiscal Analyst to prepare intent language for insertion into final budget bills. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. Duckworth moved to approve the reallocation of \$3,850,000 from the State Board of Regents Education Excellence line item to each of the eight USHE institutions' Education and General line items, as explained in the "USHE Reallocations - Performance Funding" Issue Brief. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved to approve the various reallocations at Utah State University, as explained in the "Utah State University Reallocations" Issue Brief. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Chair Grover moved to approve the various reallocations within the Utah System of Technical Colleges, as explained in the "Utah System of Technical Colleges Reallocations" Issue Brief. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Rep. McKell moved that the committee approve the following language as an option for consideration by the Executive Appropriations Committee when preparing final FY 2020 budget legislation: "Legislature intends that, when preparing the Fiscal Year 2021 base budget and compensation bills, the Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall include in the compensation bill a 75% General Fund-Education Fund/25% Dedicated Credits mix for each Education and General line item and other instructional line items containing General Fund, Education Fund, and Dedicated Credits, with the exception that the Salt Lake Community College School of Applied Technology line item shall include 100% General Fund-Education Fund. The Legislature also intends that the Legislative Fiscal Analyst shall include in the compensation bill of the Utah System of Technical Colleges 100% General Fund-Education Fund." The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Sen. Millner moved to provide some flexibility to EAC to consider performance funding as appropriate for some of these categories. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Sen. Henderson asked the chairs to ensure that the student growth and capacity budget requests not be included.

Rep. Miles spoke in favor of the motion.

Sen. Millner's motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Rep. J. Knotwell  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0Absent-3

Sen. L. Hillyard  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**7 . Approve Minutes**

**MOTION:** Rep. Duckworth moved to approve the minutes of February 13, 2019. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.



Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. J. Knotwell  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

**MOTION:** Sen. Vickers moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 13 - 0 - 3.

Yeas-13

Rep. M. Ballard  
Rep. S. Duckworth  
Sen. K. Grover  
Rep. J. Hawkins  
Sen. D. Henderson  
Sen. L. Hillyard  
Rep. M. McKell  
Rep. K. Miles  
Sen. A. Millner  
Rep. R. Shipp  
Sen. J. Stevenson  
Rep. M. Strong  
Sen. E. Vickers

Nays-0

Absent-3

Rep. J. Knotwell  
Sen. K. Mayne  
Rep. M. Wheatley

Chair Grover adjourned the meeting at 10:04 a.m.